

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee  
—Additional Estimates Hearing—February 2016**

**Answers to Questions on Notice**

**Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services**

Topic: **Consultancies**

Question: **211**

Written: **Senator Ludwig**

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 1 April 2016**

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. How many consultancies have been undertaken? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.
2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.
3. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender?
  - a. If so, why?
  - b. List each, including name, cost and purpose

**Answer**

1.

| No | Supplier Name              | Description  | Procurement Method | Start Date | End Date  | Value (GST Inclusive) |
|----|----------------------------|--|--------------------|------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| 1  | AECOM Australia Pty Ltd    | Building Information Modelling Strategy at APH     | Open tender        | 1-Dec-15   | 31-May-16 | \$211,167.00          |
| 2  | Cox Architecture           | APH Accommodation Strategy                         | Open tender        | 23-Nov-15  | 30-Jun-16 | \$437,916.00          |
| 3  | Media Access Australia     | Captioning Technical Advisory Services             | Limited tender     | 12-Oct-15  | 11-Apr-16 | \$23,000.00           |
| 4  | Northrop Engineers Pty Ltd | Hydraulic Engineering Services - Technical Advisor | Open tender        | 12-Oct-15  | 25-Nov-15 | \$21,450.00           |
|    | <b>Total</b>               |  |                    |            |           | <b>\$693,533.00</b>   |

2. DPS has one consultancy planned for this calendar year. This proposed consultancy is listed in the DPS 2015–16 APP.

| No | Description                         | Procurement Method | Estimated duration | Estimated Value (GST Inclusive) |
|----|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1  | Strategic Landscape Management Plan | Open Tender        | 6 months           | \$90,000.00                     |

3. The procurement processes to engage suppliers under contract 3 was conducted as a Limited Tender Request for Quote. It is listed as Limited Tender in accordance with the Commonwealth Procurement Rules (CPRs). Due to its value it was not required to be conducted as an Open Tender.